



# SERBIA



## INTRODUCTION

The Kingdom of Serbs, Croats, and Slovenes was formed in 1918; its name was changed to Yugoslavia in 1929. In 1989, Yugoslavia broke up along ethnic lines. In 1991, Croatia, Slovenia, and Macedonia declared independence, followed by Bosnia in 1992. Montenegro and Serbia declared independence in 2006.

## GOVERNMENT

### Chief of State

President Aleksandar VUCIC

### Head of Government

Prime Minister Ana BRNABIC

### Government Type

parliamentary republic

### Capital

Belgrade

### Legislature

unicameral National Assembly or Narodna Skupstina (250 seats)

## GEOGRAPHY

### Area

Total: 77,474 sq km

Land: 77,474 sq km

Water: 0 sq km

### Climate

in the north, continental climate (cold winters and hot, humid summers with well-distributed rainfall); in other parts, continental and Mediterranean climate (relatively cold winters with heavy snowfall and hot, dry summers and autumns)

### Natural Resources

oil, gas, coal, iron ore, copper, zinc, antimony, chromite, gold, silver, magnesium, pyrite, limestone, marble, salt, arable land

## ECONOMY

### Economic Overview

upper middle-income Balkan economy; current EU accession candidate; hit by COVID-19; pursuing green growth development; manageable public debt; new anticorruption efforts; falling unemployment; historic Russian relations; energy import-dependent

**GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)** \$125.8 billion (2020 est.)

**GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)** \$18,200 (2020 est.)

**Industries** - automobiles, base metals, furniture, food processing, machinery, chemicals, sugar, tires, clothes, pharmaceuticals

**Agricultural products** - maize, wheat, sugar beets, milk, sunflower seed, potatoes, soybeans, plums/sloes, apples, barley

**Exports** \$25.42 billion (2020 est.)

insulated wiring, tires, corn, cars, iron products, copper (2019)

**partners:** Germany 12%, Italy 10%, Bosnia and Herzegovina 7%, Romania 6%, Russia 5% (2019)

**Imports** \$30.15 billion (2020 est.)

crude petroleum, cars, packaged medicines, natural gas, refined petroleum (2019)

**partners:** Germany 13%, Russia 9%, Italy 8%, Hungary 6%, China 5%, Turkey 5% (2019)

## PEOPLE & SOCIETY

### Population

7.0 million (July 2021 est.)

### Population Growth

-0.48% (2021 est.)

### Ethnicity

Serb 83.3%, Hungarian

3.5%, Romani 2.1%,

Bosniak 2%, other 5.7%, undeclared or unknown 3.4% (2011 est.)

### Language

Serbian (official) 88.1%, Hungarian 3.4%, Bosnian 1.9%, Romani

1.4%, other 3.4%, undeclared or unknown 1.8% (2011 est.)

### Religion

Orthodox 84.6%, Catholic 5%, Muslim 3.1%, Protestant 1%, atheist 1.1%, other 0.8% (includes agnostics, other Christians, Eastern, Jewish), undeclared or unknown 4.5% (2011 est.)

